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Title: METHOD OF IDENTIFYING)	
AGENTS THAT INHIBIT THE)	
GROWTH OF CANCER CELLS)	

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (original) A method of identifying an agent that inhibits cancer cells, comprising:
 - a. introducing said agent into cells, wherein said agent binds to a nucleic acid comprising SEQ ID NOS:6, 13, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, or comprising the RNA correlate of SEQ ID NOS:6, 13, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5; and
 - b. measuring the level of inhibition of said cells, where an increase in level indicates said agent inhibits cancer cells.
2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said nucleic acid comprises SEQ ID NOS:6, 13, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5.